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Letter dated 8 August 2007 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Georgia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour of writing to you in your capacity as the President of the Security Council for the month of August 2007 and, in accordance with Article 35, paragraph 1, of the Charter of the United Nations, I would like to inform you of the following.

On 6 August 2007, at 1830 hours local time, two Russian SU-24 aircraft violated Georgian airspace, entering more than 75 kilometres into sovereign Georgian territory before launching an air-to-surface precision-guided missile near the village of Tsitelubani. The Government of Georgia possesses incontrovertible evidence from radar, documenting the flight plan of the aircraft. This includes flight times and a trajectory of intruder aircraft.

I would like to underline that this act of aggression against Georgia constitutes a threat to international peace and security, thus undermining fundamental democratic values and endangering the primacy of international law. It should also be stressed that this act of aggression may have been aimed at hindering the recent positive dynamics in democratization and conflict resolution currently under way in Georgia.

Accordingly, I would like to ask you to convene a meeting of the Security Council in the nearest future in order to address the issue of the bombardment of the territory of Georgia, which threatened the peace and security of the State Member of the United Nations — Georgia.

(*Signed*) Irakli **Chikovani**
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